

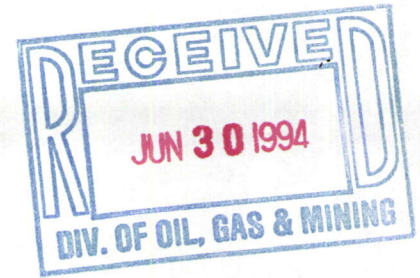


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June 28, 1994

Mr. Glen Williams, Manager
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Re: Papoose Mine, Limestone Deposits -
S/037/084
San Juan County, Utah

Dear Mr. Williams:

We have reviewed your Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations submitted to the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining. We received a copy of the notice from the Division on June 14, 1994.

The plan we received describes surface mining and mining within a shallow open pit of limestone deposits. The mining operation will be near the crest of a ridge and as a result the operation will not be significantly effected by storm water runoff. The mining operation is a sufficient distance from the drainage area to prevent sediment from entering the surface waters during the operation.

It does not appear that the operation as described will have any water quality impacts. No permit is required for the stated activities. However, you must advise us, for review, of any water quality impacts if your activities generate any waste water which would be discharged to the ground or surface waters of the state.

If we can be of further assistance, please contact me or Mr. Lyle Stott of my staff.

Sincerely,

Kiran L. Bhayani, P.E., D.E.E., Manager
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cc: Anthony A. Gallegos - Division of Oil, Gas and Mining ✓

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